(USA), after hot-sealing with water or with a nickel compound, corresponds to a light fastness grade of below 7.

- 4. Process according to Claim 1, where the dyes (A) are sulfo group-containing dyes which contain at least one substituent and/or component combination with a ligand character capable of forming a labile nickel complex with nickel ions,
- 5. Process according to Claim 1, where the dyes (A) are sulfo group-containing dyes which contain at least one salicylic acid group, optionally in salt form, or are copper complexes which contain nitrogen atoms as ring members of a heterocyclic ring, only some or none of which participate in the copper complex formation.
- 6. Process according to Claim 1, where (B) is employed in the form of (B)-containing sealing agent preparation (B<sub>P</sub>).
- 7. The oxide layers dyed by the process according to Claim 1.
- 8. Dyed oxide layers according to Claim (9) with a light fastness corresponding to a light fastness grade, in accordance with ISO specification No. 105 B02 (USA), of ≥ 7.
- 9. Dyed oxide layers according to Claim 7 with a light fastness corresponding to a light fastness grade, in accordance with ISO specification No. 105 B02 (USA), which is at least two grades higher than an otherwise identical dyeing which, however, has been hot-sealed with water.

## Please add new claim 10 as follows:

10. Dyed oxide layers according to Claim 9 with a light fastness corresponding to a light fastness grade, in accordance with ISO specification No. 105 B02 (USA), of ≥ 8.